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Crackdown on illegal tobacco sales

1,500 cigarettes seized

by Dan Stephens

TWO shops in Woolwich were stopped from selling illegal tobacco after a royal borough operation.

Trading Standards officers seized 1,500 illegal cigarettes and 1.9kg of hand rolling tobacco during a series of spot-checks.

Most traders were found to be complying with the law.

The sale of illicit tobacco is known to encourage smoking in young people and this action is just one way the royal borough is committed to protect residents' health from the risks linked to smoking.

It has also supported the recent national, month-long Stoptober campaign.

During the campaign, more than 1,000 residents visited the royal borough's roadshow for support and signed a pledge to give up smoking for the month.

The royal borough was also one of the first authorities to sign up to the Local Government Declaration on Tobacco Control which commits to reducing the number of people smoking,

and to work with local communities to develop non-smoking plans.

Almost 30 councils have now signed the declaration.

Cllr Maureen O' Mara, the royal borough's cabinet member for community safety and environment, told GT: "It is good to see that the majority of traders were found to be complying with the law.

"However, we will not hesitate to take firm action where traders are found to be breaking the law and selling illicit tobacco.

"Once again the royal borough has demonstrated its determination to protect the health of local residents by stepping up its enforcement action against the sale of illicit tobacco."

● **Sales of illegal tobacco can be reported to Trading Standards on 020 8921 8223. Residents can get help to quit smoking at www.greenwichtostsmoking.org.uk or by texting QUIT to 60060.**



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Pupils turn tour guides for a bus ride back in time - p9

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CHRIS MANSFIELD: I took this of workmen dismantling a crane on the Berkeley Homes site near the Crossrail station

LETTERS

Write to: GT Letters, Communications Team, Woolwich Centre, Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ or email greenwichtime@outlook.com
We reserve the right to edit any letters received.

Your story has reaped reward

WE thought you'd like to know that as a direct result of the news story GT published (October 22), Fureverhome received several enquiries about the six cats and kittens that were on offer for adoption. And only this weekend, Sky went to her Fureverhome through information posted on the website which was mentioned in your story. GT continues to provide a terrific resource for voluntary groups to reach out to communities borough-wide - it is very much appreciated. You can watch videos, see pictures and read information about all of the cats and kittens looking to be adopted on the Fureverhome website at www.fureverhome.org.uk
Jenny and Graham Penn, Shooters Hill

Dead horses a gruesome find

I AM in Occupation Lane and we all woke up to a grim discovery a few weeks ago.

We found two dead horses which appeared to be tied up to a tree and either killed there or were brought there dead. The police came, the council came, the RSPCA were informed yet nothing has been written about this. I have emailed the police and the RSPCA and not one word from them. How is this possible?

Since the horses were taken away, it's as if nothing has happened and I strongly feel this should be looked into. Please look into this, it's so sad and the horrible people need to be brought to justice. I know it's not a happy story but this can't be left like these creatures are just rubbish to be cleared away.

I look forward to hearing back from you as you are our voice.

Annabelle Ladd Shooters Hill

● A spokesman for the royal borough said: "Thank you for bringing the incident to our attention Annabelle. We're really sorry that you had such an upsetting experience. We have contacted the Met Police and can confirm that they attended the incident before referring it to the RSPCA. We encourage anyone with information about this incident to contact the RSPCA."

An RSPCA spokesman added: "It is distressing for residents to make a discovery of this nature. It is difficult to tell exactly what has happened to these horses and we are appealing for anyone with information on this case to contact our investigation line on 0300 123 8018. Residents with other concerns about animal cruelty or injured animals should call 0300 1234 999."

Star Letter

ROYAL BOROUGH MEETINGS

THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

Jan 21 - Safer & Stronger Communities Scrutiny Panel, 7pm, committee room 6

Highways Committee, 7pm, committee rooms 4&5

Jan 22 - Best value review team, accessing affordable housing, 7pm committee room 6

Jan 23 - licensing sub-committee B, 6pm, committee room 5

Corporate Parenting Panel, Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel, 7pm, committee room 6

Jan 28 - overview and scrutiny call-in sub-committee, 5.30pm, committee room 7

Schools forum, 6pm, council chamber
Sustainable communities and

transport scrutiny panel, 7pm, committee room 4

Long Walk Local Housing, 7pm
Jan 29 - Council, 7pm, council chamber

Jan 30 - licensing sub-committee C, 5.30pm, committee room 6.

Audit and risk management panel, 7pm committee room 6.

Feb 5 - children and young people's scrutiny panel, 7pm com room 6

More information on 020 8921 5130 or at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings

All meeting dates and times are subject to change.

We would advise you to check before you travel.

OUR Star Letter writer wins a £30 gift card to spend at Sainsbury's Woolwich (open until 10pm Mon-Sat plus refunds on customer parking charges at checkouts on minimum spend £10). Find your closest store or shop online at www.sainsburys.co.uk

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Police honour young hero

Award for boy,
15, who rescued
woman from fire

by Dick Townsend-Smith

A VOLUNTEER police cadet from Eltham has been awarded an Assistant Commissioner's Commendation after he saved an elderly woman from a blazing house while on his paper round.

Fifteen-year-old Joshua Robertson saw smoke coming from the address in Alderwood Road, Eltham, as he was delivering newspapers last July. He heard the smoke alarm and banged on the door.

An elderly woman answered, but refused to leave the house, which was full of smoke with flames engulfing the kitchen.

Joshua alerted neighbours, who called the emergency services and, covering his face, he went back into the house, where he talked to the woman and eventually managed to persuade her to get out.

Joshua, who is head boy at Saint Paul's Academy, in Abbey Wood, said the skills that he had learned as a police cadet, his experiences on the Duke of Edinburgh Awards and his work as a volunteer at a care home in Abbey Wood all helped him



HERO: Joshua Robertson with his mum Judith, Assistant Commissioner Simon Byrne, deputy headteacher of Saint Paul's Academy Tony Ring, and Supt Parm Sandhu from Greenwich Police

to remain calm in the situation.

He said: "Looking back I feel very happy and proud that I was able to help save her life. I don't think she would have left her

house without my help."

Joshua was awarded his commendation by Simon Byrne for his "bravery, tenacity and maturity" at a ceremony at Scotland

Yard, where he was joined by his mother Judith and St Paul's deputy headteacher Tony Ring.

Supt Parm Sandhu from Greenwich said: "Joshua joined our Volunteer Police Cadets a year ago and in that short time, he's proved to be popular and hardworking.

"He's also extremely modest - we only found out about his life-saving efforts after his fellow cadets told us." She added: "It's an amazing story and many people would have given up at the first attempt and waited for the Fire Brigade to arrive.

"However, Joshua didn't give up and, having already seen the extent of the fire, he rushed back into the house and undoubtedly saved the lady's life in doing so.

"Joshua's bravery, tenacity, calmness and quick thinking are in keeping with the best traditions of the Metropolitan Police Service, and his efforts are all the more astonishing considering he is one of the youngest members of the police family."

Joshua has also been nominated for the John Lewis Young People of the Year awards for London which recognises young unsung heroes across the capital.

There is £2,000 in prize money for winners to share with good causes.

● **Anyone interested in joining the cadets should ring 07825042853 or email andrew.harris@met.co.uk**

Robot design wins pupils award

STUDENTS from the Royal Greenwich University Technical College (UTC) have won a prestigious award for their efforts in programming and robotics.

The college's Future Robotics team won the best robot design and programming award in the London regional finals of the 2013 First Lego League competition.

Eight students took part - five from Year 10 and three from Year 12.

The robot was the size of a shoe box with a movable claw that could be lifted.

It was programmed to rescue an ambulance, put up a fallen road sign, recover a generator and rescue a child with a backpack to the safe zone.

The robot moved around a board, avoiding obstacles.



PROGRAMMING KINGS: The Future Robotics team from UTC won an award in the London finals of the First Lego League contest

Pet cemetery friends outline plans

PLANS for the future of the Old Blue Cross Pet Cemetery will be outlined at the first annual meeting of the Friends of the Pet Cemetery. It takes place today (Tuesday) at 7.30pm at Minnie Bennett House, Shooters Hill Road, SE3. The cemetery, on Shooters

Hill Road, was part of the Blue Cross Quarantine Kennels and acquired at the end of the First World War. It was set up to house dogs being brought back by families returning from abroad and to provide a final resting place if needed. The cemetery, studded with

poignant memorials from the 1930s and 1940s, is tucked away in a corner of Hornfair Park. The entrance is near the pedestrian footbridge over Shooters Hill Road. This is an important year, because 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of the start of the First World War.

FOSTERING INFORMATION EVENTS SIGN UP TO LEARN MORE ABOUT FOSTERING

We will be holding an information event for people who are interested in finding out more about fostering.

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Tuesday 25 February 2014
7pm to 9pm

Booking a place:

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Musicians and dancers needed for Tall Ships

MUSIC, dance and arts groups are wanted to help provide entertainment during the Tall Ships regatta from September 5-9.

An estimated one million visitors are expected to visit the royal borough of during the event, which is the biggest tall ships regatta in London for 25 years.

The tall ships events will include a range of music performances on bandstands, within venues and in places and spaces across various sites.

Organisers are looking for acts, groups or individuals who can fit the bill which

will have a strong water/sea theme.

The programming will therefore include sea shanties, acapella groups, small bands - such as duos and trios - pop up performances including street theatre, a range of folk artists and lots more.

The Community Arts Fund has been developed to support local groups, organisations and artists to deliver projects associated with tall ships or themes that would be suitable to be performed outdoors during the regatta.

To apply for funding for projects, art groups need to register, then a short expression of interest form will need to be completed.

The tall ships event will be the biggest London event since the 2012 Olympics.

It represents a major opportunity for the royal borough and its community groups and organisations to showcase their talents.

● **For further information and to register your interest please email the arts team at artsgreenwich@royalgreenwich.gov.uk**

Cash & carry mice

Food warehouse fined £6k after droppings found

by Dick Townsend-Smith

A CASH and carry in Charlton has been fined £6,000 after environmental health inspectors found mouse droppings among sacks of food during a spot check.

Michael Adedipe, owner of Ades Cash and Carry, was prosecuted by the royal borough after inspectors found the droppings and poor levels of cleanliness, as well as dangerous steps being used by staff at the Eastmoor Street property.

Magistrates at Bexley heard that he had been given health advice by royal borough officers repeatedly since 2009.

A series of enforcement notices had been served, but standards had not improved before the decisive, unannounced visit in December 2012.

Ades Ltd and director Adedipe pleaded guilty. On top of the fine, the company was ordered to pay prosecution costs of £2,745. Adedipe was also fined £2,500.

At the December 2012 inspection, officers removed a large set of mobile steps when the wheels fell off. They also found dead insects inside a hand basin in a packaging area and holes in walls.

The mouse droppings were discovered



UNCLEAN: scenes recorded by environmental health officers at Ades Cash and Carry

in a follow-up visit a week later, scattered among bags of flour.

Tests later found toxins in a ground seed powder and smoked prawns were several times over the recommended European safe levels.

Cllr Maureen O'Mara, cabinet member for community safety and environment, said: "This business was prosecuted because they failed to respond to the

sdetailed advice which officers had provided over some time. They had very poor levels of hygiene and cleanliness and by failing to follow proper safety procedures also put their staff at risk of serious harm."

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For an application pack or any further information, please contact Debbie Farr School Admin Officer.

Closing date for completed applications: 12.00noon. Friday 7 February.

Fossdene Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any offer of employment is subject to an enhanced Criminal Record Bureau check.



Design college and enterprise centre create base for business

by Dick Townsend-Smith

WITH the world-famous O2 arena as their backdrop, more and more start-up companies have been launching themselves from the new Digital Enterprise Centre on Greenwich Peninsula.

The centre at 6 Mitre Passage is managed by the royal borough and offers working space to companies who want to be based in the heart of a digital world.

Many of their ideas were 'incubated' using the expertise at the Ravensbourne design and communication college next door. And the start-up companies who needed help to develop their ideas have seized the opportunity for further help.

The fast expanding digital hub means companies can share information and expertise, and help each other.

One recent arrival is Crowd Vision, which analyses crowded places and how crowds develop.

They provide a specialist service for clients in the public safety, security and transport sectors providing accurate crowd numbers, live insights, and early warning of potential over-crowding.

The company has also adapted the technology for city environments such as crowded train stations, airports, busy streets and public places.

Fiona Strens, the company's co-founder and chief executive, said: "We decided to locate at Mitre Passage because it has high-quality accommodation suitable for innovative businesses, at an affordable price and is only 20 minutes from central London on the Jubilee line. And being on the 10th floor, we have fantastic views over the ever-changing landscape of Greenwich Peninsula."

She added: "Our business is going very well, and we are seeing opportunities flood in from as far afield as Singapore and the US. In the future we intend to become the pioneer of live crowd analytics globally – an ambitious but clear focus for everything we do."

Other rapidly growing businesses at Mitre Passage include Failbetter Games which designs interactive computer games.

Chief designer Alexis Kennedy said: "We think it is really great here, with really good facilities. Digital Enterprise Greenwich has a reputation for having a slightly more creative than technical skew, which suits us just fine." The company has been taking on more staff, mostly local people.

Another is Portal Entertainment, which recently launched a new game called The Craftsman, billed as "the world's first thriller for the iPad."

Cllr Denise Hyland, the royal borough's cabinet member for regeneration, enterprise and skills, said: "The centre at Mitre Passage is an excellent facility where new firms can grow, while benefiting from like-minded professionals and enjoying a complete location package. Firms have access to some of the leading technology and leading players in the industry."

"They can also tap into the wealth of digital knowledge at the world-renowned Ravensbourne next door. It all presents an extremely attractive offer to anyone wishing to bring their business here."

Register for digital dates

ROYAL borough businesses can register to attend a new series of events at Digital Enterprise Greenwich thanks to funding from the European Regional Development Fund, which is looking at how firms can benefit from new market opportunities arising from the growth in smart city technologies and services.

● To register or for information on renting space call 0203 040 2251, or email digital-enterprise@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

Holocaust memorial invite

VICTIMS of Nazi persecution and other genocides in Cambodia, Bosnia, Rwanda and Dafur will be remembered in a ceremony at Woolwich Town Hall in Wellington Street on Monday (January 27).

The public are invited to go along between 11am and noon and take part in a service to mark Holocaust Memorial Day.

It will be led by the Mayor of Royal Greenwich, Cllr Angela Cornforth, who said: "This event will give everyone the opportunity to remember all those who perished or suffered in truly dreadful circumstances, and will inspire us to work together to build a more tolerant and safer future."

Jewish resident, Frank Lerner, will talk about his family's journey through the Holocaust, children from Eglinton Primary School in Plumstead will give a presentation, and the Rev Mike Leader will say prayers and invite pupils and speakers to light candles. There will also be a short film

provided by the Holocaust Memorial Trust.
● One person who regularly attended the annual event for many years will be absent this time. Holocaust survivor Gertrude Evans from Charlton sadly died last year.



Two's company



DIGITAL DESTINATION: The Digital Enterprise Centre, above, is home to new and developing technology businesses including Crowd Vision, top left.



FACE OF A SURVIVOR: left, school pupils meet Gertrude Evans at a previous memorial event, above, youngsters help to light candles at last year's service

Get help to get active

A NINE-week roadshow set up to help residents get more active in 2014 started last Tuesday (January 14).

The Greenwich Get Active team is touring the borough offering information and support to people wanting to get more active. Visitors also receive a free lifestyle check.

The roadshow calls in at the following locations each week:

- Tuesdays 10am-5pm: Orangery Lane, Eltham SE9
- Wednesdays 11am-6pm: Sainsbury, Greenwich Peninsula SE10
- Thursdays 10am-5pm: General Gordon Square, Woolwich SE18
- Thursdays 10am-3pm, Morrisons, Thamesmead SE28
- Fridays 10am-6pm: ASDA, Charlton SE7
- Saturdays 11am-5pm: General Gordon Square, Woolwich SE18

As well as the roadshows, 'Greenwich Get Active' also operates a website and freephone information line to put residents - whatever their age or ability - in touch with a range of free and affordable activities happening nearby.

The Royal Borough-funded programme works in partnership with Charlton Athletic Community Trust and helps residents find an activity to suit them - including walking, swimming, cycling, team sports, all types of dance, martial arts, racket sports, and many more. Free taster sessions are on offer and residents can also sign-up for free motivational support.

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'Just what we ordered!'

Children delighted as playground designers put in all their suggestions

by Dan Stephens

AN OUTDOOR theatre and a trim trail are part of a new play area which has thrilled pupils at Heronsgate Primary School.

Three climbing areas and a football pitch are also now at the feet of children at the Thamesmead school to enjoy.

Pupils chose the equipment themselves, through the student council made up of representatives from each class.

Head boy Tobi, aged 11, added: "We were so surprised and pleased when the designers included all the things we asked for."

Head girl Desiree, aged 11, said: "We wanted equipment that would keep as many students occupied as possible during break times."

Damisola, aged seven, added: "We were so excited when we first saw it."

The new-look facilities were officially opened by the Mayor of the royal borough, Cllr Angela Cornforth, last Friday.

The overhaul took place on both of the

school's campuses. Promoting healthy lifestyles to students is at the heart of Heronsgate's ethos and the new playground will help ensure that pupils to have fun and stay active during the school day.

The children are now also able to play in the forest area that had previously been out of bounds.

The project also includes a new entrance into the playground for parents and pupils to use before and after school. The parent teacher association helped raise funds through activities such as a movie night, a pyjama day, raffles, and selling Christmas cards and calendars.

Headteacher Nicholas Prockter said: "I'm overwhelmed by the final playground. Children seem so much happier and more occupied at break times. We are all so grateful to our parents who generously contributed to the project."

Cllr Jackie Smith, the royal borough of Greenwich's cabinet member for children



ALL SWINGING: Youngsters enjoy the equipment (above) after it is opened by the Mayor, Cllr Angela Cornforth

and young people, said: "It's great news that Heronsgate School has opened the brand new playground facilities.

"I'm sure they will give the pupils here hours of fun as well as encouraging them




to stay active. It's good to see that the student council had a big say on what the new playground featured and I'm sure that as a result pupils will get even greater use out of it."




The Big London ENERGY SWITCH

A scheme to help Londoners get a better deal on their gas and electricity bills

Are you paying too much for your gas and electricity?

How does the scheme work?

-  The Big London Energy Switch is a collective switching scheme being run by the Royal Borough of Greenwich and a number of other councils in London
-  By gathering together a large number of people who want to lower their gas and electricity bills the Big London Energy Switch, using a third party 'switching provider', can encourage energy companies to offer their lowest prices
-  Once registration is closed, all the energy companies are invited to offer their best prices to everyone who registered

-  You will then receive details of exactly how much money you could potentially save by switching if you accept the offer
-  You can choose to accept the offer or not
-  Almost 1,800 Greenwich residents registered for the Big London Energy Switch in November, with 66% of registrants able to save money, and an average saving of £130 per year for those households that could save.

To find out more or to register go to www.biglondonenergyswitch.org.uk or call 020 8921 5100

The deadline for registration is 17th February 2014

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Serving a community

Cafe aims to provide jobs as well as food

by Ian Lamont

A CAFE has opened in Greenwich with the aim of being the hub of the community as well as to give residents jobs or training.

The Guarida Community Cafe opened at the start of the month in The Forum at Greenwich, on Trafalgar Road.

The cafe project has been developed by some residents of the Ferrier Estate, Kidbooke.

One of the organisers, Rosa Goncalves, said: "We're aiming to provide an environment for young people including training and it's not just work that involves washing up and chopping onions, it's about all aspects of running a cafe, like the paperwork."

Experienced hands who have been out of work, with the relevant skills, will be employed to oversee the younger staff.

Rosa said: "We're looking to use those older people to guide them."

"But the young people will be working at their own pace and it will be run around them. Many of the young people won't be able to go there until 5pm after school or college and they can work until 8pm when we close."

Rosa's daughter Alisha Jallo, 19, has helped promote the cafe where she studies, at Shooters Hill Post 16 Campus. Rosa hopes to attract customers from the



A PLACE TO EAT AND LEARN: Shooters Hill students Alisha Jallo (right) and Martha Akele serve residents having cooked up recipes with (below) assistant chef Emmanuel Mordi (left) and Rosa Goncalves

campus, at lunchtime and after school.

The cuisine specialises in Brazilian flavours, African and Caribbean spices with a British twist.

Guarida's aims include not only setting up community businesses and offering training, but becoming a hub to keep people informed of the regeneration of the Ferrier estate.

● For further details of the cafe visit www.guaridacomcafe.org.uk



Flock together for bird survey

WILDLIFE lovers are being sought to keep an eye on the royal borough's birds, just as Greenwich becomes the centre of a conservation project.

The Big Garden Birdwatch takes place this weekend (January 24-25) run by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.

The world's largest wildlife survey aims to record numbers of birds after noting a 70 per cent drop in London's house sparrow population over 20 years.

It is thought a lack of food and urban noise are major factors in the decline.

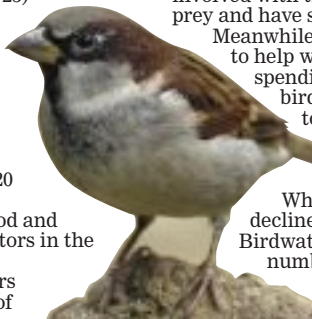
The reduction in numbers has caught the attention of cement firm CEMEX UK, which has teamed up with the RSPB to set up a wildlife area at its Angerstein Wharf Plant on the Greenwich Peninsula to improve conditions for sparrows and other birds.

Staff are installing feeders and undertaking bird surveys to see how and if sparrows use industrial sites.

Nest boxes have been put up to provide shelter and CEMEX plans to plant grass and wild flower seeds to grow food.

RSPB London manager Martyn Foster said: "We're losing our wildlife in our towns, cities and the wider countryside. All nature needs our help and this is a great step forward."

David Whitby, the site manager, said: "We've set up bird feeders, with seeds that were supplied by the RSPB and we've also educated the staff so that they



UNDER THREAT: Greenwich numbers of house sparrows are decreasing

can identify birds.

"We're recording what birds are feeding and so far we have had a yellow wagtail and a robin. I'm really hoping we'll get a house sparrow soon. We are also involved with the RSPB with birds of prey and have seen kestrels on the site."

Meanwhile the RSPB want people to help with their survey by spending an hour recording birds. There is a bird guide to help identify the species on their website www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch.

While sparrows numbers decline, last year's Big Garden Birdwatch results showed that numbers of carrion crows and ring-necked parakeets in the borough rose.

Individuals or families in the borough looking to fill in the survey have some of London's best places to view wildlife.

● Sutcliffe Park - transformed by the award-winning flood alleviation scheme, it is one of London's most spectacular wetland sites. Wildlife includes little egrets, kingfishers and reed warblers.

● Peninsula Ecology Park - includes wet woodland and meadow. Along the nearby Thames path black redstarts, a local rarity, and river birds might be seen.

● Bostall Heath and Woods - part of the Green Chain, this contains a mix of woodland, grassland and heathland. Look for goldcrests, woodpeckers and sparrowhawks.

● Greenwich Park - see red and fallow deer roam in the park's enclosure.

Health campaign aimed at families

FAMILIES are being encouraged to sign up for a major new national campaign running this month called Smart Swaps, backed by the royal borough.

Part of Change4Life, it is designed to help families change to healthier eating habits by cutting sugar and fat intake.

Cutting from a two-litre fizzy drink - containing sugar equivalent to 52 cubes - to diet, sugar free or milk or water could cut an average family's sugar intake over four weeks by three quarters of a 1kg bag.

Changing from full fat milk to semi-skimmed would potentially save a third of a pint of fat over four weeks.

Those who sign up to 'Smart Swaps' will receive a free Smart Swapper full of healthier swap and meal ideas, money off vouchers and supportive emails and texts.

Cllr John Fahy, cabinet member for health, adults and older people, said: "We are delighted to be supporting Change4Life's Smart Swaps campaign this year. Eating healthily is important for all the family and we're encouraging families to sign up and choose their swaps this January by searching for 'Change4Life' online at home or in our libraries."

"There's also lots of help available locally and many positive initiatives across the royal borough to support families to eat more healthily."

Many schools are making their meals healthier than ever, while Greenwich Cooperative Development Agency (GCDA) is supporting local fast food outlets in offering menu items that have reduced salt and fat, healthy options, smaller portion sizes and low sugar drinks.

● Visit www.greenwichhealthyliving.nhs.uk for more information.

Millennium pupils take tour of time

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PUPILS and their parents hopped aboard a double decker for a tour of time last Friday (January 17).

The youngsters from Millennium Primary School in Greenwich treated their parents to an unforgettable historical bus tour of London.

The year 5 pupils hosted an exciting bus ride back in time acting as tour guides on a journey to some of London's famous landmarks, stopping to share their recently acquired expertise in all things historical.

Two giant London buses stopped at the school in the morning to pick everyone up. The children had created their very own tour company, with a company logo and specially printed T-shirts for the role of professional tour guides, providing their parents with published tour guides and information.

The Imperial War Museum, the Houses of Parliament, Buckingham Palace, St Paul's Cathedral the Monument, Tower Bridge, HMS Belfast and Docklands were some of the places visited.

"The children have spent weeks immersed in historical and geographical research, planning out the tour, also incorporating many other subjects such as maths, art and design and computing," said headteacher Joanna Gledhill.

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- Experience with successful funding and grant applications.

We welcome informal visits to the school prior to application.

For an application pack, please email: admin@conway.greenwich.sch.uk

Closing date: 21 February 2014
Interviews: week commencing 3 March 2014

Greenwich World Heritage Site

Call for local community and business representatives to become members of Maritime Greenwich World Heritage Site Steering Group

Maritime Greenwich World Heritage Site Steering Group is now working to implement its third Management Plan, and wishes to benefit from local knowledge by recruiting 2 community representatives and one business representative to contribute to the work of the Group.

Since it was declared a World Heritage Site in 1997, Maritime Greenwich has gone from strength to strength. Famous the world over for its associations with time, royalty and the Navy, Greenwich has seen visitor number rise from almost 3 million to over 15 million, with all the opportunities - and pressures - this brings. During the same time, significant investment has been made in the magnificent complex of buildings, restoring them to their earlier glory and opening many up to public access and enjoyment.

The World Heritage Site Steering Group meets 4 times a year, always in Greenwich. It focusses on key themes that impact on the health and wellbeing of the site.

You will represent the views of the local communities of interest as far as possible; to support the work of the WHS Partnership to enhance protection and understanding of the WHS, and to inform and advise the WHS Partnership using specific knowledge or experience.

To apply please write to the World Heritage Site Coordinator on rstuart@omc.org. Everyone who expresses an interest in applying to be a community or business representative will be sent an email, together with further information on the role, expectations, restrictions on who could apply and an application form.

Interviews will be held in February 2014 with the Panel comprising the Chairs of Steering Group and Executive Board and WHS Coordinator, and a recommendation will be made to the Full Steering Group as to who should be appointed.

DO YOU LOOK AFTER SOMEONE WHO RELIES ON YOUR HELP?



A carer's assessment will look at how caring impacts on your life and tell you what support is available.

- Advice and access to support services
- A carer's personal budget (from £50-£500 dependent on your eligibility and need)
- Information on practical support available for the person you care for.

For general advice call the Greenwich Carer's Advice Line
0300 555 1515

If you look after an adult and would like to arrange your assessment call
020 8921 2304



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for further information CALL, after 10am

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ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH

The Greenwich (Parking Places) (Car Clubs) (Amendment No. *) Order 201*
The Greenwich (Greenwich Town Centre CPZ) (Parking Places) (Amendment No. *) Order 201*
The Greenwich (East Greenwich CPZ) (Parking Places) (Amendment No. *) Order 201*
The Greenwich (Eltham Station Area CPZ) (Parking Places) (Amendment No. *) Order 201*

The Greenwich (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. *) Order 201*

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich proposes to make the above-mentioned Orders under sections 4, 45, 46, 49 and 174 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
- The general effect of the Orders would be to:
 - relocate north-eastwards by 1.2 metres, a permit parking place in **Earlshall Road**, the north-west side, outside Nos. 25 and 27 Earlshall Road;
 - sharpen a permit holder parking place by 5.5 metres on the north-east side of **Tarves Way** (south-west arm), approximately 130 metres south-east of Norman Road (at the south-eastern end of the existing parking place) and replace that parking space with a Car Club parking place for one vehicle;
 - sharpen by 4 metres and relocate north-eastwards by 1.5 metres a permit parking place on the north-west side of **Commerell Street** outside the St. Joseph's Community Centre and provide car club parking place for one vehicle in that location;
 - provide double yellow line 'at any time' waiting restrictions in the lengths of street referred to in the Schedule to this Notice.
- A copy of the proposed Orders and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or, at the discretion of the Council, the Council decides not to make the Orders, at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Royal Borough of Greenwich, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, SE18 8HQ.
- Further information may be obtained by telephoning Strategic Transportation on 020 8921 3983.
- Any person who wishes to object to or make other representations about the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing by 11th February 2014, specifying the grounds on which any objection is made, to Royal Borough of Greenwich, PO Box 485, Remp House, 152-160 City Road, London, EC1R 2NR (quoting reference RCU/TRA/TC/00000155/0).
- Persons objecting to the proposed Orders should be aware that in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, this Council would be legally obliged to make any comments received in response to this notice, open to public inspection.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation

The Woolwich Centre,

35 Wellington Street,

SE18 8HQ

Dated 21st January 2014



Schedule - 'At any time' waiting restrictions

Adderley Gardens: both sides, for 10 metres west of Milverton Way. **Ancaster Street:** both sides, for 10 metres north of Dunroft. **Amesley Road:** both sides, for 10 metres east of Kidbrooke Park Road. **Bassant Road:** (1) north to south arm, both sides, for 10 metres north of Gilbourne Road/Bassant Road (west to east arm); (2) west to east arm, north side, for 10 metres west of Bassant Road (north to south arm). **Bayfield Road:** both sides, for 10 metres north-east of Ealldham Square. **Beamsdown:** south-east side, for 10 metres either side of Milverton Way. **Bedgebury Road:** both sides, for 10 metres south-east of Ealldham Square. **Birdbrook Road:** (1) west and north-west side; (2) for 9 metres north of Meadows; (3) between a point 10 metres south of the south-western kerb-line of Boyd Way and a point 80.4 metres north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Boyd Way; (4) east and south-east side; (5) between the north-western kerb-line of Edgeworth Road and a point 4 metres north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Boyd Way; (6) between a point 41.2 metres north-east of the north-eastern kerb-line of Boyd Way and a point 80.4 metres north-east of that kerb-line. **Boyd Way:** (1) north side, for 4.7 metres west of Birdbrook Road; (2) south side, for 6 metres west of Birdbrook Road. **Crockham Way:** north side, for 10 metres either side of Milverton Way. **Dunroft:** north side, for 10 metres either side of Ancaster Street. **Ealldham Square:** (1) the inner side, the whole length; (2) the outer side; (3) for 10 metres either side of Bayfield Road; (4) for 10 metres either side of Periton Road; (5) for 10 metres either side of Bedgebury Road; (6) for 10 metres either side of Jolion Road. **Edgeworth Road:** both sides, for 10 metres north-east of Birdbrook Road/Ealldham Green Road. **Eltham Green Road:** both sides, for 10 metres south of Meadows/Edgeworth Road. **Eltham Hill:** south-west side, for 10 metres either side of Queenscroft Road. **Erindale:** (1) north side, for 14.5 metres west of Garland Road; (2) south side, for 11 metres west of Garland Road. **Garland Road:** (1) north-west side, for 20.5 metres south-west and 10 metres north-east of Erindale; (2) east and south-east side, for 15.5 metres south-west of Timbercroft Lane; (3) for 10 metres south of Plumstead Common Road. **Gilbourne Road:** (1) west to east arm; (2) north side, for 10 metres east of Bassant Road (north to south arm); (3) south side, for 13.6 metres west and 10 metres east of Gilbourne Road (north to south arm); (4) for 10 metres at the south-eastern corner of the eastern extremity of Gilbourne Road (west to east arm); (5) north to south arm; (6) west side, for 10 metres south of Gilbourne Road (west to east arm); (7) south-west side, for 10 metres north-west of Kingsdale Road; (8) the east side, the whole length. **Jekon Road:** (1) north side, for 10 metres either side the electrical substation at the rear of No. 49 Ealldham Green Road; (2) both sides, for 10 metres west of Ealldham Square. **Kidbrooke Park Road:** east side; (1) for an additional 25.2 metres north of Ravine Grove; (2) for 14 metres north and 10 metres south of Amesley Road. **Kingsdale Road:** north-west side, for 10 metres either side of Gilbourne Road. **Kirkham Street:** both sides, between its junction with Plumstead Common Road/The Slade and a point 4 metres south-east of a point opposite the north-western wall of No. 12 The Slade. **Lambard Avenue:** both sides, for 10 metres south-west of Milverton Way. **Meadowside:** both sides, for 10 metres south-west of Eltham Green Road/Birdbrook Road. **Milverton Way:** (1) west side; (2) for 10 metres either side of Lambard Avenue; (3) for 10 metres either side of Adderley Gardens; (4) both sides; (5) for 10 metres south of Beamsdown; (6) for 10 metres north of Crockham Way. **Periton Road:** both sides, for 10 metres east of Ealldham Square. **Plumstead Common Road:** south side; (1) for 10 metres east of Garland Road; (2) for 10 metres west of Kirkham Street. **Queenscroft Road:** both sides, for 10 metres south-east of Eltham Hill. **Ravine Grove:** both sides, for 10 metres south-east of The Slade. **The Slade:** (1) both sides, for 10 metres south-west of Kirkham Street; (2) south-east side; (3) for 17.5 metres north-east of Ealldham Street; (4) for 14.5 metres south-west and 11 metres north-east of Ravine Grove; (5) for 10 metres south-east of Timbercroft Lane. **Timbercroft Lane:** (1) north-east side, for 10 metres south-east of The Slade; (2) south-west side, for 10.5 metres south-east of Garland Road. **Well Hall Road:** east side; (1) for an additional 13.3 metres north of Deibel Road; (2) for an additional 4 metres south of Deibel Road.

Scenes of the times

Readers' photo comp!

THESE glorious views of our royal borough were all taken by GT readers.

We've had hundreds of brilliant snaps submitted for our Pic Spot feature over the last year.

To celebrate your snappy skills, we're running a second new year photographic competition and we've shortlisted some of our favourites from the last 12 months. They all feature well known landmarks or beauty spots which make Greenwich a wonderful place to visit. Vote for your top picture below.

The photographer who gets the most votes wins

a masterclass from a professional snapper, and the runner-up gets a 12x16 inch canvas print, courtesy of Snappy Snaps in Woolwich.

And everyone who votes is entered into a prize draw for a 12x16 inch photo frame!

● **TO vote, just fill out the form below and send it to 'Pic Spot Comp', Greenwich Time, Third Floor, Woolwich Centre, SE18 6HQ or email the number of your favourite pic with your name, address and phone number to: greenwichtime@outlook.com with the subject line 'Pic Spot Comp' by January 31.**

Pic Spot competition

My favourite picture is... (tick one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - tulip | <input type="checkbox"/> 8 - woods |

Your name, address and phone no. for entry into the prize draw:



NEAL PUTTOCK: 'I had to push my lens flat to the glass and use a rubber lens hood to cut reflection in this shot.'



DAVE PARKER: 'I live 15 floors up in a tower block and took this on a nice clear night.'



SAM MCCARTHY-LITTLE: 'I took this while taking the kids for a walk.'



PHIL LOFT: 'I was proud of the Olympics and, look, our park is looking fine!'



SUGANYA SIVANANTHM: 'This photo was taken at the Woolwich pier during an evening walk.'



PATRICIA SEWARD: 'The Tulip staircase at the Queen's House'



ALAN COOMES: 'Sutcliffe Park, Eltham, in bloom.'



GRAHAM MUNDY: 'Summer serenity in Oxleas Wood, Shooters Hill.'

Get yourself

THERE are several different ways in which people can become an apprentice. They could strike lucky by approaching organisations or individual firms themselves. But the most structured way in the borough is via Greenwich Local Labour and Business (GLLaB), the royal borough's jobs and training agency.

People can register at GLLaB's offices in the Old Library in Calderwood Street, Woolwich, then they'll be invited to hear about the current apprentice opportunities and talk about what they hope to achieve. GLLaB then helps arrange the interviews and liaises with training providers.

The council has been working with the London Apprenticeships Company to create over 150 apprenticeships within the council over the last 18 months. There are also apprenticeships across the royal borough, both with small businesses as well as big

contractors, who have given their commitment to provide apprentice places as part of their contracts with the council. These include work opportunities in construction, waste services, catering, health and social care, business admin, facilities management, the creative industries and more. The minimum length of an apprenticeship is 12 months, but they can last up to 3 years, depending on the area of interest and the level. Individuals receive a training wage while gaining valuable work experience and new skills.

Towards the end GLLaB will help people find a further job if they are not kept on by current employer. GLLaB has already helped 16,000 local people to improve their skills or secure employment.

The council has also set up three specialist skills centres, with a fourth on the way, to help people get training in sectors where jobs are available. They include Digital Enterprise Greenwich, the business base for digital media firms, an academy of hospitality and an equestrian and horticultural college in Shooters Hill.

The royal borough is also working hard to promote and support local growth industries in a bid to attract investment and create a stronger local economy. For example, the tourism and hospitality industry, is seeing significant expansion locally with new hotels, restaurants and leisure facilities providing job opportunities.

Cllr Denise Hyland, the royal borough's cabinet member for regeneration, said: "An apprenticeship is becoming an increasingly important option for people wanting to enter the world of work."

Our colleagues in GLLaB provide the expertise and encouragement to make it happen for them."

● **For more information on getting apprenticeship call 020 8921 2440.**

Pre entry support for keen learners

GLLaB also runs pre-apprenticeship courses in interview technique and writing CVs, for people who have not yet decided what to do. It can also offer work experience of three or six months of up to 16 hours a week as a pre-apprenticeship taster, in agreement with employers.

THE royal borough has a sound track record for apprenticeships that set them on a work path. Dick Townsend-Smith learns how many



TRAFFIC WATCHER: Danny Cox works in the council's traffic team

INSPIRED: civil engineering apprentice Jack Carlisle

New route to jobs and training

IN a new move, the council is looking to create a new workforce to give unemployed young people training and jobs repairing the borough's minor roads and pavements.

The royal borough's highways maintenance contract is up for renewal, which provides the opportunity to tailor any new contract to include a local labour scheme. The priority would be to recruit young people without jobs, with council

funding to launch the scheme. Up to 100 'B' road not covered by Transport for London, and in greatest need of resurfacing would figure in the plan.

The scheme would give a boost to other initiatives already up and running as part of the council's commitment to improving local lives and communities through the creation of thousands of new jobs, housing and transport links.

The Point in the right direction

YOUNG people can also get a helpful steer on their careers at The Point, the drop-in advice centre for young people at 47 Woolwich New Road. The council-sponsored centre provides a range of help and advice services for young people, all under one

roof. They cover education, training, employment, housing options and support, personal development programmes, sexual health, drug and alcohol support, and volunteering. The services are available to young people between 16 and 19, and those with special education

needs up to the age of 25. On average, The Point gets between 750 and 950 visits a month from young people. It is open between 9am and 5pm, Mondays to Fridays. People can either drop in, or call first to make an appointment to see a adviser on 020 8921 8224.

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020 8921 2440.

JOB WITH A VIEW:
Jasmine Salih-
Browne is based
on Greenwich
Peninsula at
Mitre Passage
close to The O2

THREE young people who were recruited as apprentices through GLLaB, the royal borough's jobs and training agency, have been telling GT how they are getting on. Danny Cox, 22, from Eltham started in September on a three-year apprenticeship in civil engineering and works for the traffic team in the council's strategic transportation division in the Woolwich Centre.

He said: "My background is in finance and I haven't done engineering before, so it's a completely new environment. I thought it sounded interesting, and it is. I'm learning lots of new skills."

"I've been doing drawing work for highways planning, working with the engineers, and I've been working on structures, which is all to do with the retaining walls on

council-owned roads. At the end of the apprenticeship I will get a qualification in civil engineering. It's really all working out for me, and hopefully I will be able to continue working here afterwards." Another civil engineering apprentice who is in his third year is Jack Carlisle from Shooters Hill. Former Harris Academy student Jack works for the council's highways and maintenance team, also at the Woolwich Centre. He said: "I'm really enjoying what I'm doing, and there's lots to do. I've been involved in a recent tendering exercise, updating the borough's winter maintenance policy and collating information, as well as repairs for

potholes and cracks and salting roads. I've also been shadowing the role of a highways engineer. People trust me to get on with the things that need doing."

"I've done my two years education course and I'm now doing my one year's employment. I hope to get a permanent job at the end or else I'll have to look around elsewhere, using my BTEC diploma."

Jasmine Salih-Browne, 20, from Eltham had employment and training support through GLLaB and then had the opportunity to gain work experience before she applied for an apprenticeship. Her work placement is with the skills team within Employment and Skills on the

11th floor at Mitre Passage - the council-managed centre which offers work space to digital companies on Greenwich Peninsula. She started in August 2012, and her supervisor was so impressed by Jasmine that she asked for her six-month placement to be extended by another three months, and then kept her on as an apprentice doing an NVQ.

"My job is doing data support and data entry, and survey reports - a big variety of jobs," said Jasmine. "It's all going great. I've learnt a lot of new skills already, and I'm really enjoying it. When I've finally finished I'd either like a full-time job or go for a higher-level apprenticeship."

Young apprentices make a big impression

Royal Greenwich Shared Lives

Do you have experience of caring for adults with a learning disability or other support needs?

Do you have a spare room in your family home?

Would you like to support somebody to live as part of your family?

Royal Greenwich Shared Lives recruits carers to provide a home with support for adults with learning disabilities - within their own family.

From January we will be recruiting skilled and committed people to become Shared Lives Carers and provide long-term and respite placements. Shared Lives Carers are paid a placement fee by the local authority and will also be provided with support and training.

Royal Greenwich Shared Lives is registered with CQC and successful applicants will be subject to our full assessment process including the taking up of references and an enhanced DBS check.

If you live within the Royal Borough of Greenwich and are interested in becoming a long-term carer or are interested in providing respite and short breaks (within Greenwich or further afield) please contact Royal Greenwich Shared Lives on **020 8921 6120**.

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/sharedlives

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Bunch up for a good read

A WOMAN with a mission to inspire is among the latest authors to be signed up to appear at local libraries during national libraries week, from February 3-8.

Gesmay Paynter, who lives in Woolwich, is the author of *Sharing Bananas: As a bunch, we can do more*.

Originally from the Seychelles, she says she has assimilated the cultures and traditions of people from all walks of life all over the world. Gesmay will appear at Woolwich library on Wednesday February 5, from 1.30-2.30pm as the borough celebrates the week by hosting the South East London Writers Festival, where authors will talk about their work.

● Visit www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/libraries



CHARLTON-based community arts group Global Fusion Music & Arts is showcasing the work of one of its members for its latest presentation this month.

Greek Cypriot artist Anthi Chrysanthou is the star of a new display in the Mulberry tea rooms at Charlton House.

Her artwork is up until Friday January 31 and there's a private view this Friday (January 24) from 6.30 to 9.30pm. The evening will have a Greek theme with live Greek music by Bouzouki player Andrew Theodorou and Greek food from the Village Taverna, in Lee Road.

Everyone is welcome but places must be booked through Global Fusion Music & Arts on 0208 858 9497.

Anthi is regularly involved in Fusion projects and a popular face-painter at council community events.

She's delighted to be having her first solo exhibition and said: "It came unexpectedly but it's thrilling and exciting. I'm looking forward to meeting people and I want them to have a good time. It's going to be more like a party or a gathering of good friends."

The designer/illustrator uses a range of mediums from traditional methods to computer aided techniques and mixed media with a playful approach.

Her aim is to "wake up" the inner child in her adult audience and to entertain, inspire and teach younger readers of various ages. As well as interpreting classic themes in her own unique way, Anthi creates a range of fictional sceneries and characters with special appeal to children.

It's something she shares with Global Fusion founder Louisa Le Marchand which drew her to the arts group three years ago.

"I was on the web looking to volunteer for an organisation and came across Global Fusion. I called and Louisa and I were on the phone for two hours. I immediately felt we could work well together - we

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STEPHEN LAWRENCE GALLERY

Landmarks photographic exhibition runs until Jan 24.

The exhibition is open during gallery hours 10am-5pm Mon- Fri; 11am-4pm Sat. Email slg@gre.ac.uk or call 020 331 8260.

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Members of the public are invited to attend a meeting in public of the Governing Body.

Wednesday, 29 January 2014

**1:30 - 4:30pm ,
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Questions & Answers

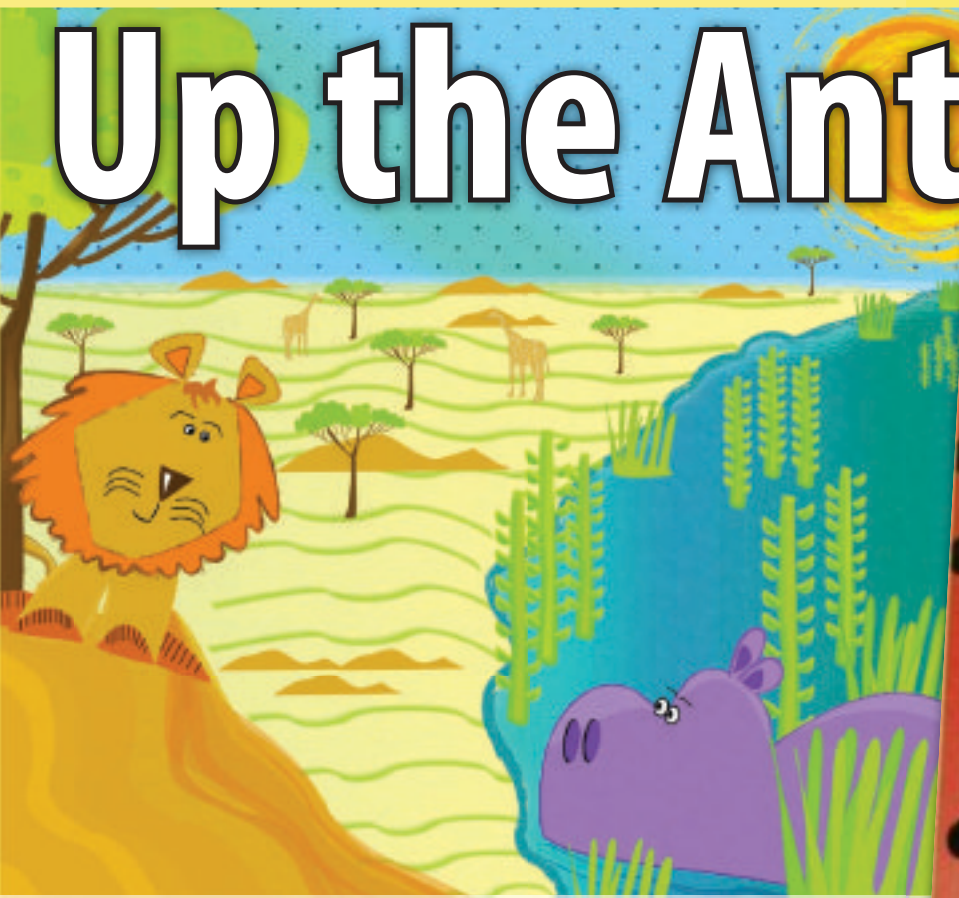
**1:30 - 2:00pm
Long Gallery**

**Meeting in public
2:00 - 4:30pm
Grand Salon**

Papers for the meeting will be posted on our website www.greenwichccg.nhs.uk before the meeting, or can be obtained from the Corporate Secretary on 020 3049 9059.

Up the Anthi

HILARY BRYAN talks to community artist Anthi Chrysanthou on the eve of her first solo exhibition



both love art and feel it's something we like to share and we both work in schools," explained Anthi, a design and technology technician in a secondary school, who also works as a freelance illustrator.

"I like to do really colourful things that young people - or people of various ages - can enjoy. I like to involve young people in art, it's extremely valuable, inclusive and a lot of children discover their talent as artists," she added.

The tea rooms exhibition includes hand printed mounted artwork, handmade

greeting cards and gift tags, comic books and original digital prints.

"Everything is handmade from free or recycled resources which keeps prices low so the artwork is quite accessible," explained the 30-year-old.

The display is at Charlton House from weekdays 9am to 9pm and Saturdays 9am to 6pm
Visit Anthi's website at anthichry.wix.com/gold



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CUTTY SARK

From Jan 29. Evening performances in the Cutty Sark Studio Theatre, 7.45pm

Jan 29 - Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and dance solo harp and harp chamber music
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Jan 31 & Feb 7 - An Evening with Ross Noble.
Visit rmg.co.uk/studiotheatre

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And The River Flows, an exhibition created by the Focus Finder photography group, showcasing three views of the city of London and its impact on daily life. You can also meet the photographers behind the exhibition.

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WEST GREENWICH LIBRARY

Solo exhibition by Penny Matheson featuring runners of all kinds. Feb 4- March 3, except Wednesdays and Sundays. Tel: 020 8858 4289.



PUSHING the boundaries can be awfully dangerous particularly with traditional arts. With derision and failure lying just round the corner it takes no little courage to try. Hagit Yakira is challenging dance with her new show, In the Middle With You. Unusual, refreshing, imaginative and compelling, she is pushing her art to the limits. Nurturing her talent at Trinity Laban where she is completing her studies, her dance is a patchwork of themes. Dance, dialogue and emotion are seamlessly woven into the fabric of human relationships. There's nowhere to hide for the five young performers - Takeshi Matsumoto,

Sophie Arstall, Mariana Camiloti, Ben McEwen and Kiraly Saint Claire - on a stark, barren stage without props. It's been two years in the making but the flow is undoubted. They suffer, they laugh, they fall silent, they shout, the choreography is tight and complex.

Dancer and Greenwich resident Sophie Arstall said: "We are all incredibly passionate about this new movement from Hagit but at the end of the day it's still dance".

Richard Morgan

In the Middle with You is at the Laban Theatre, Jan 23, 7.30pm, £15-£10 conc.
Visit greenwichdance.org.uk

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1

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2

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3

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4

Apply in one of three ways

- Text bidding is now available and the number to use is 07786207913. For further information please see page 2, or
- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 29 January 2014 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 26 January 2014**.

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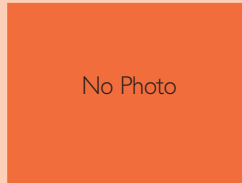


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£190.11 pw



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Rad C/H
No pets No pkg
£192.41 pw



Asra GLHA

Ref Number: 184998
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Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ROYAL BOROUGH TENANTS WHO ARE MOVING

DON'T GET A BILL AFTER YOU LEAVE

Under the conditions of your tenancy agreement, you have a responsibility to leave your property in an acceptable state of repair. We may visit you to check this. If we consider your property is in an unacceptable condition, you may be prevented from moving or be recharged for work.

To avoid getting an unwelcome bill, follow these rules:

- Repair any damage caused to the property by you, your family or visitors to your home.
- Make good any changes you have made to your property e.g. put back any doors that you have removed.
- Make sure your garden is not overgrown and you have cleared all garden waste.
- Clear all your items from the inside and the outside of the property. This includes any loft space, external cupboards or sheds.
- Return all the keys to the Royal Borough's offices no later than midday on Monday (or Tuesday if it is a Bank Holiday). You will be charged a further week's rent if you do not return your keys on time.

If you leave repairs that are your responsibility, or items that require disposal you will be charged the cost of this work.

Special Collection Service

The Royal Borough offers a Special Collection Service for tenants who are moving and want to dispose of something big and bulky, like a sofa or a fridge, and even unwanted clothes and other textiles.

Simply contact Waste Services on 020 8921 4661 and tell them where you live and what you would like taken away.

Items we will collect include:

Fridges, freezers, washing machines, beds, sofas, clothes and carpets (carpets must be cut up and tied into manageable bundles that one person can carry).

Items we DO NOT collect include:

Fitted kitchens, bathroom suites, boilers, sheds, fences and rubble.

For further information, please contact Waste Services on **020 8921 4661**.

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This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 372

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Leamington Court Restell Close SE3 7RD	2	FLAT	483	26/04/2013	B
Hasler Close SE28 8LB	1	FLAT	230	28/07/2010	C
Fuchsia Street SE2 0SZ	2	MAISONETTE	343	08/07/2010	B
Jeffrey Row SE12 8UX	4	HOUSE	428	13/11/2006	A
Woodland Grove SE10 9UL	1	FLAT	484	03/03/2011	B
Westcombe Court Westcombe Park Road SE3 7QA	2	FLAT	346	08/07/1991	A
Finchale Road SE2 9PW	2	HOUSE	551	31/03/2003	A
Hastings House Mulgrave Road SE18 5RL	1	FLAT	404	07/02/2005	C
Jessup Close SE18 7HD	2	MAISONETTE	278	24/12/2012	B
Strongbow Crescent SE9 1DP	2	FLAT	288	14/11/2013	B
Lydden Court Restons Crescent SE9 2LE	2	FLAT	267	27/11/2013	B
Campfield Road SE9 5JF	3	FLAT	414	22/07/2013	B
Gilbourne Road SE18 2NX	2	FLAT	276	26/11/2013	B
Delany House Thames Street SE10 9DQ	1	FLAT	510	01/01/2002	A
Ruegg House Woolwich Common SE18 4HA	2	FLAT	236	04/12/2009	C
Ravine Grove SE18 2NE	2	FLAT	264	01/09/2013	B
Westcombe Park Road SE3 7RW	1	FLAT	549	09/04/2007	A
Sowerby Close SE9 6HA	1	FLAT	338	08/08/2013	B
Tattersall Close SE9 6ES	1	FLAT		withdrawn	
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QN	1	FLAT	348	10/06/2010	C
Alabama Street SE18 2SR	1	FLAT	430	28/06/2013	
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Quilter aims for marathon double after joining GLL

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to Dartford to be close to the British Judo Performance Institute where he trained full time, before now taking up the job at GLL, the royal borough's leisure partner.

Ben is well known as a motivational speaker for charities and has already been an ambassador for the GLL Sport Foundation, which is the company's nationwide version of Greenwich Starting Blocks.

Ben (pictured) said: "They are a great company to work for and I had some knowledge and experience of them from their sports funding programme and thought the job was something I'm quite passionate about and that seemed a natural progression."

While he intends to get his feet under the table before entering into the specifics of what he intends to do with the role, he said: "It's about breaking down barriers and saying that just because you have a disability it doesn't mean you should have any fewer opportunities to do sport."

"There's nothing to stop people, it comes down to having opportunities and access those and facilities."

Ben's visual impairment means he can see shapes but not specifics but that and his knee injury which ended his judo career does not mean he is stopping his sport.

As well as the marathons - for which he has only just begun training - he has been roped in to cycling from Lands End to John O'Groats in the Ride Across Britain event in September.

"When I told my surgeon [about the marathons] he wasn't that impressed, but I'm not going to go nuts," Ben insisted, his intention to get round over-riding any question of seeking a decent time.

The former European and double World Champion wanted to quit his sport at the top. He considered carrying on for another couple of major championships, but felt that he would not have been able to compete at the standard he had set.

Becoming a father seven months ago - and with the visually impaired judo programme moving to the Centre of Excellence in Walsall - also influenced his thinking that now was the right time to end his career.

Phil Lane, GLL's head of sport, said: "We are delighted to have Ben on board. He is an outstanding candidate and brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise."

"As a stalwart supporter of GLL as a GSF ambassador, he is already familiar with our organisation and will help us to maximise opportunities to increase and sustain sports participation for disabled people as part of the legacy of the Olympic and Paralympic games."

Ben will work with groups such as the Greenwich Public Health team and the Greenwich Inclusive and Active Forum, to promote being fit and active at all levels, from healthy living to elite sport.



Royal Borough of Greenwich
Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990 (AS AMENDED)
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Notice is hereby given that applications have been made to The Royal Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/ sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am to 5.30pm on Saturday at -
Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT
Also at <http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/planning> or at the library shown between normal opening hours.
If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutory Listed Buildings under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Area) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the form below.
Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.
Please quote the appropriate reference number.
Date: 21/01/2014
Mike Hovis - Chief Planning Officer

Publicity For Planning Applications

Applicant:	Tilfen Land Ltd	13/2984/Y
Development:	TILFEN SITE ACCESS, LAND NORTH OF WESTERN WAY, THAMESMEAD, SE28	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Knight Dragon Development Ltd	13/3041/MA
Development:	CENTRAL MARKETING HUB, PLOT NO202, GREENWICH PENINSULA, SE10	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Mr Grimwade	13/3054/F
Development:	FLAT B, 5 CHARLTON ROAD, CHARLTON, LONDON, SE3 7EU	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Mr Hart	13/3227/F
Development:	57 DICKSON ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 6RE	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Chase Evans	13/3264/F
Development:	279 CREEK ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9RE	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	IKEA Properties Investments Limited	13/3285/O
Development:	SAINBURY'S AND FORMER COMET STORES, 55 & 57 BUGSBY'S WAY, GREENWICH, SE10	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Mr Li	14/0009/F
Development:	25 LEWISHAM ROAD, LEWISHAM, LONDON, SE13 7QS	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Brooklands Primary School	14/0039/F
Development:	BROOKLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL, MEDEBOURNE CLOSE, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE9 9AB	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Mr Emmerson	14/0045/F
Development:	46 CRAIGERNE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 8SN	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	

Publicity for Listed Building Consent

Applicant:	Mr Westoby	14/0012/L
Development:	CHARLTON PARK LODGE, CEMETERY LANE, CHARLTON, LONDON, SE7 8DZ	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	Hanover Housing Association	14/0014/L
Development:	PENN ALMSHOUSES, GREENWICH SOUTH STREET, GREENWICH	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	
Applicant:	The Mayor & Burgess of Royal Greenwich	14/0077/L
Development:	PUBLIC HALL, WOOLWICH TOWN HALL, WELLINGTON STREET, WOOLWICH, SE18 6PW	
Library:	Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT	

ROYAL Borough of
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ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH The Greenwich (Free Parking Places) (Disabled Persons) (Amendment No. 4) Order 2014

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 6 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
2. The general effect of the Order would be, in Woodhill, to extend the existing disabled persons parking place outside No. 181 Woodhill by 1.6 metres.
3. A copy of the proposed Order and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Order is made or, as the case may be, the Council decides not to make the Order, at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Royal Borough of Greenwich, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ.
4. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Strategic Transportation on 020 8921 3804.
5. Any person who wishes to object to or make other representations about the proposed Order should send a statement in writing by 11th February 2014, specifying the grounds on which any objection is made, to the Royal Borough of Greenwich, PO Box 485, Kemp House, 152-160 City Road, London, EC1Y 2WY (quoting reference PCLTH014/14/000001543).
6. Persons objecting to the proposed Order should be aware that, in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, this Council would be legally obliged to make any comments received in response to this notice open to public inspection.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
SE18 6HQ

Dated 21st January 2014
(SIGNED BY: JENNIFER SAMPSON)

ROYAL Borough of
GREENWICH

ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1) TEMPORARY ROAD FOOTPATH CLOSURE - FOOTPATH LINKING BLANMERLE ROAD AND FOOTSCRAY ROAD

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to make an Order to facilitate certain improvement works on or adjacent to the footpath that links Blammerle Road and Footscray Road. The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit pedestrians from entering or proceeding in the footpath that links Blammerle Road and Footscray Road.
2. The above prohibition would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
3. Whilst the prohibitions specified in paragraph 1 to this Notice are in operation pedestrian traffic would be diverted via Blammerle Road and Footscray Road, and vice versa.
4. The Order would come into force on 28th January 2014 and would continue in force for up to 4 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would take 3 months to complete.
5. Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5159.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
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Paralympic judo bronze medallist takes up disability sport post with leisure team

Thrown into new role

LONDON GLORY: Ben Quilter (left) in action during the 2012 Paralympics



by Ian Lamont

ONE of Great Britain's Paralympic medallists, Ben Quilter, has joined Greenwich Leisure Ltd, the borough's leisure partner, as disability sport officer.

Having retired from judo with a long list of medals - including bronze at London 2012 - the visually impaired former athlete will work to increase and develop physical activities for everyone with disabilities, not just in Greenwich but across the company's portfolio of contracts across the country.

But although he has quit his sport, it will not stop him taking on a few extra curricular activities for charity.

The 32-year-old posted on Twitter last week "a wise man said, why run 1 marathon when you

can run 2!" after securing a place in the London Marathon as well as the Brighton one.

He told GT: "They are only a week apart, so that's not ideal, but I wanted to raise some money for some charities that helped me during my career."

And injuries that caused Ben to retire will not hold him back, either. Ben won his London bronze having to fight through the pain of snapping the cruciate ligament and rupturing the medial ligaments in his knee just seven weeks before the Games.

Postponing surgery until after the September 2012 event, he reflected: "There was a lot of tape and injections and I just had a go.

"There were lots of factors and I looked at the risks. I actually lost my first round fight and managed to come through the repackage and go on to win bronze.

"London was amazing for lots of different reasons. It was completely different from Beijing for me because of the expectation but I thoroughly enjoyed it."

Having grown up in Brighton, Ben then moved



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